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COUNTRY East Germany

REPORT NO.

TOPIC Tutow Airfield

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EVALUATION see below

PLACE OBTAINED

DATE OF CONTENT 23 June to mid-July 1953

DATE OBTAINED DATE PREPARED 18 August 1953

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REMARKS

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SOURCE

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1. An employee at Tutow airfield stated on 23 June 1953 that about 200 workers were employed at the field and that more laborers, particularly construction and concrete workers as well as drivers were urgently required.
2. In July, source learned from an acquaintance who has been employed at the field since early July 1953 that several hundred construction workers were engaged in cleaning up and making preparations for construction work at the field. It was rumored that a runway, 2,800 meters long and 80 meters wide, was to be built. The Bauunion Wismar held the contract for construction work.
3. On 6 July, the chief of the computing section of another Baunion, which had already carried out construction work at other airfields, was asked for advice by an engineer of the Bauunion Wismar. This was in regard to an estimate of costs, allegedly for Project W 103 at Tutow airfield, which was to be turned in to the Soviet construction staff in Werder.

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Comment. Work at Tutow airfield is still in the preliminary stage, probably because of a lack of skilled construction workers. The intended length of the runway has not definitely been determined. An untested source previously reported that the runway had a length of 3,500 meters.

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